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Identification Number: C00135368

Re: Amended 30 Day Post-General Report (10/19/06-11/27/06), received 2/23/07

To Ms. Lewis:

This letter is a response to the inquiry sent on April 27, 2007 requesting additional information on the following items:

a. Schedule E indicates failure of timely reporting the correlating 24 hour notice for the payee 'Greer Margolis Mitchell & Assoc' dated 10/26/06 for \$67,095 and \$30,610.

In response to item (a), the inquiry states the correlating 24 hour notice was for the 10/28/06. However, upon discussion with our FEC Analyst, the date of 10/28/06 was the date the 24 hour notice actually transmitted into the FEC system versus the report date of 10/27/06. The cause of this discrepancy was due to submitting the 10/27/06 24 hour notice 13 minutes after the end of day 11:59pm. The 13 minute lapse was due to our FECfile software failing to upload our report in a timely manner. This was caused by technical transmittal problems and the size of our database file. After a couple of trials, the FECfile software was able to upload the report. For the future, the Sierra Club Political Committee has created a new database to decrease the size of the file, which lowers the probability of system failure.

- b. Various vendors as the payee(s) reported on Schedule E Line 24 appears not to have the same date of dissemination disclosed on the correlating 24 hour notices. In response to item (b), the correlating 24 hour notices for the payee(s) on Schedule E Line 24 were disclosed at the actual date of dissemination. Due to clerical error the transactions for the vendors reported on Schedule E Line 24 were reported on the payment date.
- c. Verification of H3 transfers as being from non-federal accounts disclosed as 'GOTV doorhanger OH', 'GOTV doorhanger OH', 'GOTV List OH', and 'GOTV List PA', 'GOTV Staff Cincinnati', 'GOTV Staff Columbus', 'GOTV Staff Philadelphia', 'GOTV Staff Pittsburgh', 'GOTV Staff Seattle', 'GOTV Staff Vancouver', 'GOTV walkpiece PA', 'Ohio SC Political Committee', 'Pennsylvania SC Political Committee', 'Sierra Club Healthy Community Fund', 'Sierra Club Voter Education Fund II'.

In response to item (c), listed in the inquiry are two different items. The GOTV entries are events entered into H2 allocation ratio. The 'Ohio SC Political Committee', 'Pennsylvania SC Political Committee', 'Sierra Club Healthy Community Fund', 'Sierra Club Voter Education Fund II' are non-federal political organizations.

d. Several items in Schedule E supporting Jason Altmire, Sherrod Brown, Darcy Burner, Bob Casey, Mary Jo Kilroy, and opposing Richard Pombo are dated after the general election. It appears the date of dissemination was after the general election.

In response to item (d), due to clerical error the transactions for these vendors disclosed on Schedule E Line 24 were

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reported on the payment date. In addition, some of these expenditures were filed earlier with a 24 hour notice with the actual date of dissemination, which relates to item (b). Please see item (b) for response.

If you have any additional questions please contact Gayle Sheehan at (415) 977-5560.

Sincerely,

Catherine Duvall Sierra Club Political Committee